

## REPAID FOR SHARP PRACTICE

Keeper of Livery Stable Was Caught in His Own Net.

Advice in law applied in an unprofessional way is sometimes as effective as regular court procedure. An incident of 30 or 40 years ago illustrates this point. It is told by Joseph A. Willard in "Half a Century with Judges and Lawyers." Mr. Willard was in a friend's law office one day, when a client came in for advice.

He said that he had hired a horse to go to a neighboring town for a dollar, but when he had returned, the stable-keeper asked him for a dollar more.

"What for?" the client had asked.

"For the ride back."

The lawyer gave some instructions, which the client followed. A little later he went to the stable-keeper and asked how much it would cost to hire a horse and buggy to go to Salem.

"Five dollars," was the reply.

The client hired the team and went to Salem. When he returned he came on the cars. He went to the stable and paid the keeper five dollars.

"Where is my horse and buggy?" asked the owner.

"In Salem," was the unconcerned reply.

"Why did you leave them there?" cried the keeper.

"I only hired them to go to Salem," answered the client.—Youth's Companion.

## EASILY KEPT AHEAD OF GRANT.

General's "Professional Trotter" No Match for Farmer's Nag.

A writer relating some of the incidents of Gen. Grant's last days, tells this anecdote of the ex-president. He was, as everyone knows, very fond of horses, and while spending a summer at Long Branch, was accustomed to take a daily drive behind a noted trotter.

By courtesy, although often against his wish, he was always given a free and open course. One day, while jogging along, he noticed in a casual way a farmer and his wife, who, with a single horse and errand wagon, were just ahead, evidently returning from market.

On attempting to "draw alongside" and pass the couple, there was a race on in a moment.

The farmer chirped in a peculiar way and his horse squatted into a long gallop and easy trot. Altogether it was a veritable surprise to the other driver, with his "professional trotter" and light road wagon. But the farmer kept the lead in spite of Gen. Grant's efforts to overtake him.

Occasionally through the dust he could see the farmer's wife look back to note their relative positions. Finally, after a mile heat, the farmer "blew up" a little, to allow the general to come within hearing distance.

"Did he know who it was?" Gen. Grant was asked.

"Oh, yes," he replied. "The man simply said: 'General, you've got a good one,' and then I allowed him to go on."—Century Magazine.

**A Nomadic Piece of Land.**  
Cape Cod itself is sand, and like everything of a desert nature, is nomadic. Like the Arab, it is always silently stealing away, so that the appearance of the peninsula constantly changes, says a writer in Outing. The prevailing winds in the winter being from the north, the sand is blown south; in summer it is blown north, but the winter winds being stronger, the land is gradually working south. Monomoy, at the lower end, used to be an island, its extremity being called Cape Malabar, a name not used now. This island of Monomoy is rapidly growing toward Nantucket, it having advanced some five miles in the last 50 years.

**The Name of the Jungfrau.**  
Whence does the Jungfrau derive its name? M. Hartman of Interlaken contributes the results of his researches on this subject to the "Feuille d'Histoire Bernoise." There was, it appears, in the fifteenth century a nunnery at Interlaken. The nuns owned what is now the Wengern Alp, and was then denominated, out of compliment to its proprietors, the "Jungfrauenberg," or "Mountain of the Young Women." When a name was wanted for the snowpeak opposite, the Jungfrauenberg naturally supplied it. It was called the Jungfrauhorn—an appellation which, in the course of the years, was abbreviated into Jungfrau.

**Suggestion for Optimists.**  
The motto of a club of genuine optimists would be something like this: "Everything must be made to work for the better in this most improvable of worlds." This doesn't let the bars down to every crack-brained reformer, however. It doesn't mean reform, so called. It means rather cheerful purgation of the unclean and a smiling conservation of the clean. It means sound sense and the elimination of fools. We can all afford to laugh and sleep at night upon one condition—that we refuse to stand pat and consent to such words. That is optimism.

**Lucky William.**  
Amateur Actor (who has just concluded a performance of the part of Hamlet, to a friend who has been one of the audience)—Well, old fellow, don't you feel inclined to congratulate some one?

**Friend—**Indeed I do.

**Amateur (with vainglorious mien)**—May I be so far intruding on modesty as to ask the name?

**Friend—**William. His name is Shakespeare, and I heartily congratulate him on his most admirable performance.—Stray Stories.

## Fred Zutavern Honored

At the meeting of the Southwestern Kansas and Oklahoma Implement & Hardware Dealers' Association held in Wichita last week, Fred Zutavern, president of the Great Bend Hardware & Implement Co., was elected president for the ensuing year. Mr. Zutavern has for years been a member of the board of directors and has always been very active in the association. He will make an excellent officer, one who will devote his time and attention to the affairs of the association. We congratulate him on the honor conferred.

## Progress Club

The members of the Progress club met Monday at the home of Mrs. J. Geo Brinkman where they enjoyed a musicale in place of the regular work of club study. It has been the intention to hold its meetings in the library hall, but it was concluded better to change the place.

It was a very pleasant meeting, present. The program rendered was as follows:

Vocal Solo—Miss Walker.

Reading—Mrs. F. A. Moses.

Vocal Solo—Will Townsley, violin obligato, Mr. Green.

thoroughly enjoyed by every one. Instrumental Solo—Miss Laur. Townsley.

Reading—Miss Louise Moses.

Violin Solo—Mrs. Massie.

Vocal Solo—Miss Walker.

No more meetings of the club will be held until after the holidays.

W. O. Smith of Eureka handed us a renewal of his Democrat subscription this week.

Claude Luse is coming home to visit during the holidays and get some of ma's good cooking.

Miss Alice Giles and Miss Hazel Harris are expected home from Manhattan Saturday evening for their holiday vacation.

Cal Talbot, through the negligence or something else, of a suffered a loss of considerable Kansas City commission firm, money on a recent shipment of cattle. The matter will be taken into court.

County Clerk Ashpole is entertaining a brother, A. J. Ashpole, and children of Topeka. The brother's wife recently died, and he is now taking the first vacation he has had in 15 years. He is an employee of the Topeka postoffice.

Another prosperous Clarence township farmer is coming to town to live. This time it is Henry Gageman, who purchased F. D. Wilson's property on Broadway.

## OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION

J. V. Brinkman Company Bank  
At Great Bend, State of Kansas, at the close of business on the 27th day of Nov., 1908.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$ 533 324 59
Overdrafts	5 268 48
Real Estate	18 865 96
Bank building	5 000 00
Furniture and fixtures	1 559 90
Expense account	7 527 63
Bonds and warrants	4 000 00
Clearing house items	3 73 63
Cash & night Exchange, legal reserve	184 518 04
Collection in transit	21 778 15
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$786 606 49</b>

LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$ 50 000 00
Surplus fund	28 600 00
Undivided profits	315 22
Interest	14 631 92
Exchange	417 04
Individual deposits	337 611 26
Banks' and bankers' deposits	127 579 33
Certificates of Deposits	234 256 26
Cashier's and certified checks	6 774 96
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$786 606 49</b>

State of Kansas,  
County of Barton, ss.  
I, Arthur E. Taylor, Cashier of said bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true; that said bank has no liabilities, and is not indebted on any note or obligation, other than shown on the above statement, to the best of my knowledge and belief. So help me God.  
ARTHUR E. TAYLOR, Cashier.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 10th day of Dec, 1908.

H. C. COLBURN, Notary Public.  
Commission expires on the 28th day of Sept. 1909.

Correct Attest:  
J. GEO. BRINKMAN, CHAS. V. BRINKMAN, F. W. BRINKMAN, Directors.

Mr. and Mrs. George Robbins of Ray were in town the first of the week visiting relatives.

George Tucker was in Alden, commemorating the 48th wedding Monday attending a celebration anniversary of his uncle, Geo. Tucker. A large number were present and they all had a good time.

## CALENDARS

Our handsome calendars, "The Crippled Quail," and "Stag's Head," for 1909, will be ready for distribution during the holidays.

When making purchases of \$2.00 or more, patrons are requested to leave their names and call for a copy.

One copy only to each family.

Spaugh's Grocery

## Fine Christmas Candies

We have a large line of Pure, Fresh Christmas Candies, the kind that complies with the Pure Food Laws. We carry a large variety of choice Confections and Nuts. Prices as reasonable as can be made considering the High Quality of our Goods.

Also have fine line of Cigars, both Domestic, Foreign and our own make. Let us fix you up.

## Troilets

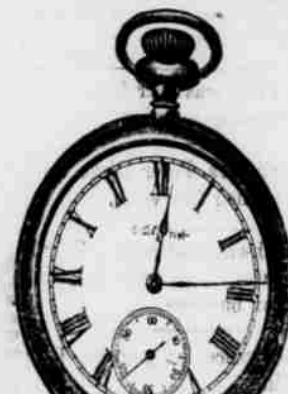


## The first rush of Holiday Trade is Demonstrating

Again the strength and position of this great store. We are giving Christmas shoppers the most convenient store, the freshest and best classified stocks in this city; giving them the best delivery service that can be organized; giving them the greatest values that honest mercantile can provide.



\$10.00 Gold Filled Engraved Plain Polished or Engine Turned Hunting Case. Guaranteed 20 Years. Finely Jeweled Elgin or Waltham Movement.



\$9.00 Gold Filled Case Plain, Polished or Engine Turned. Guaranteed 20 Years. Finely Jeweled Elgin or Waltham Movement.



\$12.00 14K Gold Filled Richly Engraved Hunting Case. Guaranteed 25 Years. Finely Jeweled Elgin or Waltham Movement.

## Buying Direct From the Manufacturer we Save you the Middlemans Profit

Store Open Evenings Until Xmas

Every article sold is fully guaranteed, and we'll cheerfully refund money if any article purchased does not prove just as represented.

MAIL ORDERS PROMPTLY FILLED  
Anything pictured here forwarded immediately, postage prepaid, on receipt of price and delivery guaranteed.

**W. D. Gould & Co.**  
**Jewelers**

LARGE NEW ILLUSTRATED CATALOGUE FREE  
Send us your name and address on a postal card and we will mail at once our New Catalogue; better still, CALL.

## The Last Christmas Suggestions

We can save you some money on your purchases, but you must get busy as goods are going fast.

HATS, CAPS,	BELTS, COLLARS,	NUTS,
GLOVES, SHIRTS,	COMBS,	FRUIT,
SWEATERS,	MITTENS,	PIPES,
TIES, HOSE,	SHAWLS,	CIGARS,
UNDERWEAR,	TOQUES, BOOKS,	SILVERWARE,
PERFUMES,	TABLE LINEN,	BOX PAPER,
HAND BAGS,	RIBBON, CANDIES,	CORSETS.

**Fancy and Staple groceries**  
**Premium Stamps with every Purchase.**



**W. F. Honnen**



**If You Are Worried** About what kind of a Christmas present to send that old friend of yours, why not arrange with us to send them fifty-two interesting letters during the year. If you want to send an appreciated gift... **Send Them the Democrat**